Amendment No. 1 to HB2019

Watson Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1033*

House Bill No. 2019

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-102(b), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following new subdivision (2):

- (2) It is no defense to prosecution under this section that the person who sought to influence a public official did so on behalf of a union or employee organization's behalf, for purposes of an organizing campaign or any other lawful purpose.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-309(b), is amended by adding the following new subdivision thereto:
 - (5) Damages, harms, injuries or threatens to injure or coerce a business, or any employee or representative of the business with the intent to unlawfully intimidate the business or its employees from exercising their rights under the Constitution and laws of this state or the Constitution and laws of the United States, in an effort to obtain something of value for a union or employee organization, including but not limited to, a neutrality agreement, card check agreement, union recognition, or any other objective of a union or employee organization's corporate campaign.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-112(a), is amended by deleting the word "or" at the end of subdivision (1), by deleting the period "." at the end of subdivision (2) and substituting instead the language "; or" and by adding the following new subdivision (3):

(3) Restrict a business, or the owners or employees of a business, from exercising their rights under the Constitution and laws of this state or the Constitution and laws of the United States, with the intent to obtain something of value for a union or

employee organization, including a neutrality agreement, card check agreement, union recognition, or any other objective of a union or employee organization's corporate campaign.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-301(3) is amended by deleting the language "persons" and substituting instead the language "persons, whether or not participating in any otherwise lawful activity,"

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-305(a), is amended by deleting the word "or" at the end of subdivision (2), by deleting the period "." at the end of subdivision (3) and substituting instead the language "; or" and by adding the following new subdivision (4):

(4) Engages in threatening and violent behavior that results in a public safety risk by creating a hazardous or offensive condition that may include picketing, mass picketing, or the targeted picketing of a residential structure, unless such residential structure is also used as a place of business.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.